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Ms. Audra Parker President and CEO Save Our Sound 4 Barnstable Road Hyannis, MA 02601

Dear Ms. Parker:

Thank you for your December 19, 2014, letter regarding the EPA Permit Number OCS-R1-01 issued to Cape Wind Associates (CWA) on January 7, 2011.

EPA's permit covers the "Project Area" shown in Figure 1 of CWA's December 17, 2008 application. (See

epa.gov/ne/communities/pdf/CapeWind/CapeWindOCSPermitApplication2008December17.pdf.) At this time, CWA has not provided EPA with a request to amend its permit for activities within the project area. We have reviewed the possibility of the project's staging area changing from Quonset Point, Rhode Island to New Bedford, Massachusetts and the impact such a change would have, if any, on the terms and conditions of the permit. Because changing the location of the staging area does not change CWA's compliance with the permit conditions, we have concluded that reopening the permit is not warranted by this possible change. If CWA requests a permit amendment or provides additional information regarding changes to the project within the Project Area, EPA will then review any potential impact the new information may have on the permit.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have any questions or comments, please contact either Ida McDonnell at (617) 918-1653 or Donald Dahl of my staff at (617) 918-1657.

Sincerely,

H. Curtis Spalding

Regional Administrator